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## **NEWS RELEASE**

## OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

A preliminary investigation pertaining to an officer involved shooting reveals the following: On November 11, 2008, at approximately 1:30 p.m., San Antonio Police responded to the Fred's Fish Fry, located at 660 Old Hwy 90, for a hold up alarm. Upon officer's arrival, it was determined that a robbery had just taken place. Prior to the robbery, officers were given information about a possible suspect who was wanted on an active aggravated robbery warrant and who had possibly committed several robberies in recent days at several other Fred Fish Fry's. This information was sent out over the police radio. The information also indicated that the suspect had also made threats that he would not be arrested easily. As Officer Marc Valero, a 14 year veteran, was working the quadrant, he spotted the suspect vehicle stopped in the 400 blk of Amalle Calle. As Officer Valero stopped to investigate, the suspect exited the vehicle on his own and approached Officer Valero, holding a handgun. Officer Valero drew his service weapon and ordered the suspect to drop his weapon. Instead, the suspect responded by saying, "that ain't going to happen!" At this time, the suspect turned toward Officer Valero and Officer Valero, fearing for his life, fired his weapon several times, subsequently striking the suspect. The suspect fell to the ground and EMS was requested. EMS transported the suspect to Wilford Hall in critical condition. A handgun was recovered at the scene and processed by the Evidence Unit.

## The suspect has been identified as Alfonso Escamilla L/M 08-20-1966

The San Antonio Police Department's shooting Team is handling the investigation and will submit their findings to Police Chief William McManus and the Bexar County District Attorney's Office.